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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, and the Manual of Patent Examining Procedures § 609, the references listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08A are being brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the cited documents are enclosed.

In order to provide complete disclosure, Applicant respectfully notes that the present application is copending with and claims priority to and benefit of PCT International Application No. PCT/IB00/01369 filed September 27, 2000 and published on April 5, 2001 under Publication No. WO 01/23685 A1, "3-Dimensional Mat-System for Positioning, Staggered Arrangement and Variation of Aggregate in Cement-Bonded Structures," which claims priority to and benefit of Swiss patent 1788/99 filed September 27, 1999. A copy of the copending application is enclosed herein.

Applicant has disclosed foreign patents DE 198 08 078 A, AU 3406899 A, and WO 99 42678 A. AU 3406899 A is unavailable to Applicant; however, all three patents disclose a reinforcing mat, preferably consisting out of steel, in order to manufacture impervious and structural concrete members by slurry infiltration, and Applicant has provided a summary translation thereof as a concise explanation of the relevance.

Applicant has disclosed foreign patent DE 199 03304 A and has provided a translation of the summary thereof as a concise explanation of the relevancy.

Applicant has disclosed foreign publications "Ducon, ein innovatiever hochleistungsbeton" and provides English publication "Ducon, A Durable Overlay" which Applicant asserts is substantially a translation of the relevant portions of said foreign publications.

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These documents are not necessarily analogous art.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the attached form PTO/SB/08A with initials or other appropriate marks.

Respectfully submitted,

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